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TOPIC Dessau AirfieldEVALUATION See below

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1. Between 25 July and 8 August 1950 the Dessau (M 52/W 06) airfield was occupied by 300 to 400 men and a maximum of 19 jet fighters with swept-back wings, 3 conventional fighters and 2 biplanes. (1) The EM and some of the officers were quartered in two large buildings north and south of the Dessau-Alten (M 52/W 06) road.

2. The jet fighters made flights of about 40 minutes duration. (2) Immediately after landing they were refueled from small two-axle fuel trucks which could be pushed under the wings. (3) The aircraft were prepared for take-off in groups of four, eight men working on each plane. Four tank trucks of 2,500 to 3,000 liter capacity were on the southern edge of the field. [REDACTED]

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3. On 9 August 1950 the field was occupied by 20 jet fighters with swept-back wings, 14 conventional fighters, 2 biplanes, and 1 twin-engine plane with double rudder assembly. (1)

4. About 12 jet fighters with swept-back wings, 1 biplane and 3 single-engine planes, one a two-seater, were parked at the northeastern corner of the field on 15 August 1950. (1) Maintenance work was done on some of the jet planes. Four alerted jet fighters [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were standing at the flight control station. (5) No flights were made.

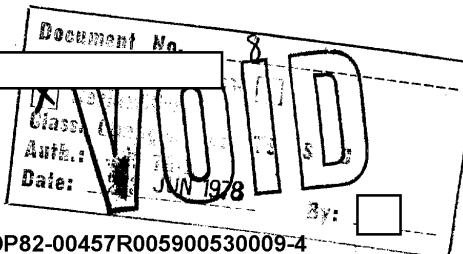
5. Between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 17 August 1950 the jet fighters were re-arranged and parked in two rows on the eastern edge of the field. Sixteen jet fighters with swept-back wings and one jet fighter with conventional wings and blue-gray paint were seen. The three single-engine planes and one biplane were at the same place as on 15 August 1950. (1) Individual take-offs were made by the biplane with a two-man crew. A radio truck at the flight control station was in operation. The service personnel were quartered in two four-story former administration buildings of the Junkers Firm on both sides of Dessau-Alten road. One was a corner building and the

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